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FOR WHITE HOUSE - PHIL WISE AND WHITE HOUSE ADVANCE OFFICE

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OTRA PDIP PN PPDC BR

SUBJECT: SIGNING CEREMONY FOR PANAMA CANAL TREATIES

REF: STATE 205714: PASTOR/CRIMMINS TELECON; STEDMAN/CRIMMINS TELECON

1. I DELIVERED THE LETTER TO FOREING MINISTER SILVEIRA AT
11:00 PM AT HIS RESIDENCE.

2. I EXPLAINED TO SILVEIRA THAT THE LETTER HAD BEEN
WRITTEN, SIGNED AND DISPATCHED BY THE WHITE HOUSE BEFORE
PRESIDENT GEISEL'S NEGATIVE REPLY TO ORFILA WAS KNOWN (PER
TELECON WITH ROBERT PASTOR.). I SAID THAT I HAD BEEN
INSTRUCTED BY THE SECRETARY TO DELIVER THE LETTER AS
WRITTEN EVEN THOUGH THERE HAD BEEN INTERVENING DEVELOP-
MENTS AND TO EXPRESS THE HOPE THAT, ALTHOUGH THE DIFFICULTY
OF THE CONFLICT OF DATES WITH BRAZIL'S NATIONAL DAY
WAS RECONIZED, IT MIGHT BE POSSIBLE FOR PRESIDENT
GEISEL TO RECONSIDER. I ALSO MADE THE THREE POINTS
IN PARA 1 OF REFTTEL.

3. SILVEIRA SEEMED A LITTEL TAKEN ABACK AND SID THAT
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IT WAS A SHAME THAT THE CEREMONY FELL ON THE NATIONAL
DAY. HE COMMENTED THAT THE MEETING WITH PRESIDENT
CARTER WOULD HAVE BEEN USEFUL, OF COURSE. HE STATED
THAT THE GOB HAD MADE A SPECIAL EFFORT TO REPLY IMME-
DIATELY TO ORFILA'S INVITATION AS AS TO PREVENT ANY
MISUNDERSTANDING OF THE REASON FOR GEISEL'S NON-
ATTENDANCE ON THE PART OF THE US AND OTHER LATIN

AMERICAN COUNTRIES. HE ADDED THAT THE GOB HAD EMPHASIZED TO OTHER GOVERNMENTS THAT THE CONFLICT WITH THE NATIONAL DAY WAS THE ONLY REASON FOR GEISEL'S DECLINING THE INVITATION. HE EXPRESSED HIS PLEASURE AT TORRIJO'S INCLUSION IN A SPEECH OF SATURDAY, AUGUST 27, OF A PARAGRAPH REFERRING TO THE UNAVOIDABLE ABSENCE OF GEISEL BECAUSE OF THE CONFLICT.

4. ALTHOUGH SILVEIRA GAVE NO INDICATION THAT HE THOUGHT THAT THE REFUSAL WOULD BE MODIFIED AND IN FACT HIS COMMENTS TENDED IN THE OTHER DIRECTION, HE ASSURED ME THAT , AS I HAD REQUESTED, HE WOULD TRANSMIT THE REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION TO GEISEL ALONG WITH THE LETTER THE VERY FIRST THING IN THE MORNING OF MONDAY, AUGUST 29 (SAYING THAT GEISEL WENT TO BED NOTORIOUSLY EARLY) AND WOULD LET ME KNOW IMMEDIATELY THE PRESIDENT'S POSITION.
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